

KINGSGATE S C H O O L

Kia mohio, ki te aroha, ki te mahi. To know, to love, to serve.













Newsletter—Thursday 19 October —Week 2, Term 4, 2023

Coming Up

Friday 20 October	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40—9:00am	
	Year 5 &6 Touch Rugby	
Monday 23 October	Labour Day —No school	
Thursday 26 October	Give It A Go - Athletics taster	
Friday 27 October	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40—9:00am Please feel free to join us in the staff room.	
	School Photos —Students are to come dressed in full, clean, KingsGate School uniform	
	Full School Assembly—1:45pm in Totara LIFEspace. All welcome	
Friday 3 November	Mufti Day—Gold coin donation requested	
	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40—9:00am Please feel free to join us in the staff room.	
Wednesday 8 November	Year 7 & 8 Technology—Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate school for the start of the school day.	
Wednesday 22 November	Year 7 & 8 Technology—Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate school for the start of the school day.	
Friday 24 Nov	Teacher Only Day—No school	
Wednesday 13 December	Last Day of Term Prizegiving & End of Year Celebration—Notice to come out separately.	

Sun Hats and Sunscreen

Sun hats are mandatory for summer terms - this is Term One and Term Four. "No hat, play in the shade" is our school procedure. Students are also recommended to apply sunscreen prior to arriving at school, there are LIFEspace supplies for students own reapplication prior to lunch break (please ensure your child/ren are taught at home and able to manage this themselves).

From the Principal

This term is already filled with outstanding accomplishments and inspiring moments, demonstrating the incredible potential of our students.

In the world of sports, we are elated to announce that our students in Kahikatea have embarked on a remarkable journey by participating in their very first touch rugby tournament. Their dedication and determination have shone brightly on the field, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievements.

Additionally, our Year 9 students have taken a leap into the world of Ki o Rahi, a traditional Maori ball game that promotes teamwork, strategy, and athleticism. It's been a true pleasure to witness their enthusiasm and growth as they entered their first Ki o Rahi tournament. We're excited to see them represent KingsGate with pride and sportsmanship in this particular sport annually.

On the academic front, we are equally delighted to share the heartwarming success of our Year 9 students in both soft technology and food technology classes, led by the talented Mrs Hegan. These young minds have embraced the world of technology and culinary arts with passion and creativity. Their dedication to learning and their ability to adapt to new skills is truly commendable.

As we continue to nurture well-rounded individuals, we are grateful for the support of our wonderful KingsGate community. Together, we celebrate the achievements of our students and look forward to even greater accomplishments in the future. Thank you for being a part of our journey at KingsGate. Your unwavering support and encouragement make all of this possible.

Jared Stein

KingsGate School Principal

Staff Shout Out

Thank you **Mrs Burgess**, for your unwavering dedication as an adaptive, kind, and caring teacher to the students of Totara and Puriri. Your commitment to their growth and well-being shines through in every classroom moment, and we're grateful to have you as part of our school community this year.

After School Pick Up

Increasingly, more students are being picked up well beyond the afternoon bell, while we can accommodate the odd late pickup due to unforeseen circumstances, they are becoming far to regular an occurrence with a number of students. Late pickups have a major impact on staff who have after school commitments and meetings to attend of their own.

Please note the following finishing times:

- *Primary School Years 0-8: 2:30pm
- *Secondary School Year 9: 2:55pm

Please ensure that primary school students (who are not awaiting finish for Year 9 siblings) are picked up by 2:40pm, with secondary students being picked up no later than 3:05pm. If you are unavoidably delayed, please contact the office by 2:20pm (as office staff are not present beyond 2:30pm).

Additionally, we appreciate that car park space is limited, please be patient, continually cycle through as promptly as possible and keep our school community safe in the carpark.

2024

Please let us know if there are students not planning to return to KingsGate School for 2024. We are preparing our roll for next year and have a large waitlist keen to start their education with us.

2023 Prizegiving

The format for this year is going to look a little different as we will tie it in as an end of year celebration for One Year at our new KingsGate site. All parents are welcome for the day. Please mark the day in your calendar now.

Friday 13 December		
9:15—10:15	Year 0—5 Prizegiving	
11:00—12:00	Year 6—9 Prizegiving	
12:30	Combined Shared Lunch	
1:15—2:15	One Year Celebration	

Parent Prayer Meeting - Fridays

It's important to uphold our school in prayer. Please feel free to join us on Fridays at 8:40am—9:00am in the staff room. All are most welcome, please consider this your personal invitation to attend.

School Gate Time

Please be aware the school gates are not open before 8:00am and that while students are welcome on site from 8:15am they are not supervised as staff are in their morning meeting and devotions. Staff are not expected onsite till 8:00am.

Uniform

KingsGate School requires a note for incorrect uniform items, we also expect that the situation is remedied as quickly as possible, please do speak with the team in the office if you have any queries. Please clearly and permanently name all items. Uniform requirements are found at https://www.kingsgate.school.nz/school-information/school-uniform/

School Mufti Days 2023

These are a regular occurrence in our term calendar and will be every Friday in Weeks 4 and 8 with the standard gold coin donation. We will still let you know a few days before they are due to occur but you can put them in your calendar now so there are no surprises.

A Message from the Ministry of Education

Free household internet connection still available. If anyone in the school community needs assistance with internet connectivity, you can apply before 31 October for a fully funded Internet connection via our Equitable Digital Access (EDA) programme. Connections are currently funded until 30 June 2024, and existing connections will automatically be renewed until then. For any queries and to apply,

contact eda@education.govt.nz or 0800 441 844. To read more, go to: Home Internet Access – Ministry of Education

Head Lice

Head lice are a constant battle at schools. Please assist us in keeping spread to a minimum by checking students hair at home, and treating thoroughly and promptly if lice are found. Lice are very distracting and deter from students learning when present in class. Multiple treatments and combing are usually required to eliminate an infestation. It is preferred that long hair is tied up to help lessen risk, use of a daily repellent is also recommended.

Prayer Thanksgiving

- For provision for the continued growth we are experiencing
- For our new staff that have joined us and will be joining still in 2023, for our much appreciated relievers, especially during the winter on call months
- For our volunteers who make time to support our school and students: you make so many things possible to attend

Prayer Requests

- For God's hand over our staff, board, oversight and the school community
- For God's guidance for the decision making in the growth of the school and as we move in this next part of the vision of the school
- For whole school health and well being with the changeable weather and increased bugs about
- For settled classes as we begin the final term, for resilience, grace and perseverance

Sponsorship

Thank you to the families that have made one off payments or started regular payments into the sponsorship account, this is such a blessing for families in our school community. If you wish to contribute, 100% of all monies donated go to supporting students in need, the account number is: KingsGate Cheque - ASB: 12-3107-0061691-00

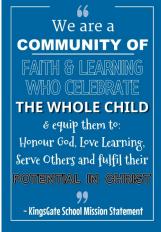
Please reference with your family name and *sponsorship* as a reference on the payment.

Helpful Contacts/Numbers/Websites/Apps

School Phone Number: 09 239 0297 School Facebook Page: KingsGate School School Website: www.kingsgate.school.nz

www.kingsgate.school.nz School Parent App: Skool Loop School Fees - NZCPT - Selena
Codlin: selena@nzcpt.nz
You can still talk to Vicki in the office about fees, it is good to talk if there is an issue with paying. We can usually make a payment plan if required to help.





School Communication

Please direct general enquiries to our front desk email:

info@kingsgate.school.nz
or phone the office on:
09 239 0297



Community Notices



WEDNESDAY'S (4.00pm - 5.30pm) - COURSE D THURSDAY'S HOME SCHOOL GROUP (1.00pm -2.30pm) - COURSE D

Classes commence from 25th October 2023







BEFORE SCHOOL CARE FROM 7AM

\$13.50 per morning **Breakfast**

Breakfast served until 7:40 includes a choice of milo, toast, cereal and porridge **Transport**

Van leaves facility at 8am

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

FROM 2-6PM \$17.50 per afternoon

Afternoon Tea

Includes a selection of sandwiches and fruits

Daily Activites

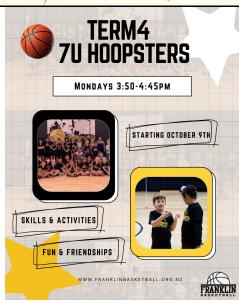
Includes homework, swimming, sports games and











"Seasons For Growth is a grief, loss and change Programme for children dealing with challenges in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death or other big family changes. Our Afterschool Programme starts next Thursday 17th of October and runs from 4pm-5pm over 8 weeks of the school term. It is held at the St Andrews Church facility in Pukekohe. A Parent Programme also runs at the same time. We are also able to run an Adult group for those interested. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/ text Marisa Skilton 021 142 5812, office (09) 238 7228, or contact me at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. For more info please go to www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons."